

Bredon, Bredon's Norton and Westmancote Parish Council

The minutes of Bredon Parish Council Annual Meeting held at Bredon Village Hall on Monday 16th May 2016 at 6.30pm

Present: Cllr's Mrs Diane Kemple, Mr Matt Darby, Mr Richard Coghlan, Mr Phil Handy (Chairman), Mr Mike Johns, Mr Andrew Rhodes, Mr Ian Rowland-Hill, Cllr Rob Sly (arrived item 4), Mr Declan Shiels and Mr Brod Whiting

In Attendance Ms J Shields (Clerk), Mr and Mrs Donnelly, Mr W Dyer, Mr M Newell, Mr and Mrs W Cook and Mr and Mrs M Pullin, Mr Harrison, Mr M Hodgson, Anita King, Mr and Mrs Drew, Sarah Hinds and Steve Robb.

Mr Robert Drew addressed the council with the following points.

- His letter had not been acknowledged by the clerk.
- The Neighbourhood Plan would mean that the land at Benshams could not be developed for 16 years, the surrounding land could increase in value as development land; a councillor with land in the parish could benefit.

Mr Matt Darby responded the land in question belonged to members of his family and that he had declared an interest at all times and had taken no part in the discussions or decisions.

Mr and Mrs Cook handed letters to the council which are scanned in and appended below.

Mr W Dyer handed a letter to the council which are scanned in and appended below.

Cllr A Handy read out the letters.

Clerk to reply soon as possible to both.

1. Apologies For Absence.

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllrs Mrs Alison Palmer, Mr Kevin Falvey and from Mr P Whitehead.

Clerk to E Mail Cllr Palmer, the council's regards and best wishes to her and her family.

2. Declaration Of Interests.

Cllr Darby declared a DPI in item 4, as his family owns land in proposed Local Green Space locations LGS4, LGS5, LGS7, and in proposed Local Gaps locations GAP1, GAP2, GAP3. He left the room and took no part in discussions or decisions relating to these areas. He also declared an ODI in Policy NP14, as its provisions relating to woodland could particularly affect his family's land. He left the room and took no part in discussions or decisions relating to this policy.

3. To Consider The Adoption Of The Minutes Of The Meetings Held On The 9th May 2016.

The minutes having been previously circulated were agreed and signed as a true record.

4. To Consider The Approval Of the submission version of the Neighbourhood Plan.

The revised plan ('tracking' changes to the plan agreed on the 1st February 2016), together with summaries of consultation responses and assessments from the Evidence Base, had been circulated to the council.

The wording of each plan policy was scrutinised. Considerable time was taken with Policies NP2 (Local Gaps) and NP13 (Local Green Space) and each separate area of LGS/LG was appraised to ensure that it passed the tests set out in the Evidence Base assessments. The remainder of the Neighbourhood Plan was also scrutinised.

Cllr Rhodes proposed, Cllr Johns seconded and it was agreed unanimously to submit the Neighbourhood Plan (V12) to Wychavon under Regulation 15 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012. The plan would be accompanied by a Consultation Statement and a Basic Condition Statement which were still being prepared.

The council agreed to delegate Cllr Rhodes and Mr M Harrison to agree any further changes to the plan of a minor nature such as spelling or grammatical errors, minor re-ordering of words, the insertion of footnotes etc. before submission. Any changes that were in their view not minor in nature and that altered the intended meaning of the document would need the approval of the full council.

Next stages

The plan will be sent to Wychavon District Council, in accordance with Regulation 15, Wychavon will carry out their own 6 week consultation into the plan, inviting comments from all interested individuals and organisations..

The plan will then go to an Independent Examiner.

The parish will hold a referendum for its adoption.

5. Councillors Reports And Items For Future Agenda.

Maintenance of the Playing fields.

6. Date Of Next Meeting.

Monday 6th June 2016.

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Manor Lane
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4/5/16

Bredon and Bredon's Norton Parish Council
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Dear Mr Handy and Parish Councillors,
Re Bredon Parish Draft Neighbourhood Plan regarding Local Green Space Policy of 2.86 (ha) of field number GR1 (Policy map B) we own in Bredon's Norton

In response to your e-mail dated 19/4/16 in reply to our letters dated 28/3/16 and 14/4/16, we decided to take advice from Harriet Baldwin MP about our land being designated Local Green Space in The Bredon Parish Draft Neighbourhood Plan. After meeting with her on 29/4/16 we are waiting for her detailed response. Once we have received this information, we will be in contact with you again.

Please could we have hard copies of the minutes of Council Meetings detailing when and by whom, our land was nominated Local Green Space. You mention in your e-mail dated 19/4/16 (point 9) that our field was suggested as possible Local Green Space by parishioners at a Neighbourhood Plan public consultation event, and finally agreed as Local Green Space by the Parish Council at the meeting on 29/2/16. We would also like the minutes which give details of which other fields in Bredon's Norton were considered for Local Green Space and the reasons why they were omitted.

With reference to your e-mail (point 7), you mention a Consultation Statement. We would also like a copy of this please. (We are happy to pay the small charge for these.)

We cannot find the comments and letters of support or objection to the process and Draft Neighbourhood Plan on the Bredon Parish Council website for public viewing. Please could you tell us if they have been published and where to find them.

Thank you

Yours sincerely



William and Jackie Cook

Jackie + William Cook.

- 1) How many landowners agreed to their land being designated Local Green Space and/or Local Gap Space?
- 2) How many landowners objected to their land being designated Local Green Space and /or Local Gap Space.
- 3) Should the Draft Neighbourhood Plan in the final stage of the process go to a Referendum (as you mentioned in point 12) the amended plan is to be agreed by a 'majority of residents'. What % of parishioners has to vote to make the referendum valid? Is there a minimum number?
- 4) As part of The South Worcestershire Development Plan are Breton Parish Council compelled to build more new homes in the near future? If so where will they build them if they are unable to build in Local Green Space and Local Gaps?

Thank you

Bredon Parish Council Meeting 16/5/16

Dear Mrs Shields,

We are still waiting for the minutes we requested in our letter to Bredon Parish Council dated 4/5/16 and replies to the questions we raised at the Bredon Parish Council Meeting on 9/5/16.

Please could you tell us when we will be getting these?

Thank you
Yours sincerely

Jackie and William Cook

(Handed in to Mrs Shields before the Bredon Parish Council Meeting on 16/5/16)

William Dyer.

Questions for BPC on 16th May 2016

BNP.

Has the Chairman read all or any of the letters against the BNP?

Why is the B.P.C. producing a N.P. when it is a tremendous amount of work and not a legal requirement?

Would it be reasonable to assume that the B.N.P. has been drawn up just to try to stop future building projects in areas where recent planning applications have been refused?

Does the chairman or planning committee realize that it has not followed many of the Government guidelines for planning policy or guidance for the neighborhood plans basic conditions?

LOCAL GREEN SPACE.

The guidelines also state that the LGS should not be used to block land which may be needed for future building development, so why has the committee done this?

LGS designation should only be used when its - "demonstrably special to the local community ie, for its beauty, historic significance, recreation value, tranquility or richness of wildlife".

Which of the land chosen fulfills **any** of these conditions?

Is this meeting for the purpose of discussing the concerns and failing of the BNP or will you bulldoze the plan through without any regard to local land owners?

Has BPC obtained a grant or monies from the government for this BNP project?